



Minutes

Council Solid Waste Committee

City of Santa Barbara
City Hall, Room 15
735 Anacapa Street
October 1, 2007, 11:30 AM



ATTENDEES: Councilmember Falcone, Councilmember Williams, Joan Kent, Stephen Wiley, Bob Samario, David McDermott, Stephen MacIntosh, Karen Gumtow, Lorraine Cruz Carpenter, Eric Lohela, Derek Carlson, Thor Schmidt, John Dixon, Steve Hyslop, Samantha Martinez, Mike Jordan, Maria Arroyo, Adam Green, Kathi King, Abe Powell

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 11:36 am
2. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** Councilmember Falcone requested that item #8f (Contract Management) be discussed in conjunction with item #5 (BFI / Allied Waste Contract Assignment)
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 30, 2007 minutes were approved
5. **BFI/ALLIED WASTE CONTRACT ASSIGNMENT:** Stephen MacIntosh reported that Phase One of contract compliance discussions with the City's franchised haulers was complete. An MOU or similar mechanism would be produced by the City Attorney's Office for the City and the Franchised Haulers to jointly sign. David McDermott reported that the City Attorney's Office had conducted its due diligence and researched all items germane to BFI's request to assign their contract to Allied Waste Services, Inc. The Committee approved the staff recommendation that the item be forwarded to Council for consideration on October 16, 2007.
6. **RESULTS OF EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE (EPS) ANALYSIS:** Stephen MacIntosh, Lorraine Cruz Carpenter and Eric Lohela presented the results of staff research and analysis of a potential EPS ban for the food service industry in Santa Barbara. Bob Samario explained that an EPS ban does not make sense until a citywide organics collection and composting program is in place, adding that education and outreach are keys to a successful program. The Committee discussed a timeline for getting an organics program in place and deferred a decision to provide direction to staff until a future Solid Waste Committee meeting with all members present.

7. **STATUS OF OTHER KEY SOLID WASTE PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES:** Bob Samario provided a brief overview of the City/County joint Conversion Technology Project, which is scheduled to be heard at the October 16, 2007 City Council meeting. Mr. Samario explained that the funds for the present phase of the project were appropriated in the FY 2008 Solid Waste Fund budget. Mr. Samario also discussed progress to date on a revenue sharing agreement with the County for the City's mixed recyclables that are currently processed via the County through a contract with the Gold Coast Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Ventura. Mr. Samario also stated that a request went out to all Department Heads to determine if any space was might be available to assist with textile baling and storage. It was reported that no Departments currently have any usable space for this project. Finally, Mr. Samario went over the dates of the Unscheduled Collection Permit Ordinance (UCPO); the Ordinance Introduction is scheduled for the October 23, 2007 City Council meeting and Ordinance Adoption is scheduled for the October 30, 2007 meeting.
8. **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Recyclables Revenue Sharing with the County, Conversion Technology, Amending the Solid Waste Strategic Plan, Organics Collection Program Implementation Timeline
9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Staff was directed to schedule a meeting in November, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 pm Approved:

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